

Selectmen's Meeting

September 15, 2014

Selectmen: Richard Carver, Dave Matthews, Linda Post

Present: John Hufnagel, Ron Winters, Anna Mason, Lorraine Pfefferkorn, Ed Strollo, Barbara Christensen & husband, Tom Edwards, Scott Bickford

4:05 PM Assessors Meeting

1. Municipal Valuation Report. Tom Edwards needed the Selectmen to sign as Assessors.
2. Abatements: Linda Post made a motion to approve the abatements as presented in the amount of \$10,688.54. Dave Matthews seconded it. All in Favor.
3. Table Supplements for a half hour until the Assessors agent can finish the last three.
4. John Ware has put a claim to the Knox County Commissioners office. The hearing is on October 17, 2014 at 4:00 PM. Dave Matthews made a motion to have Tom Edwards appear on the Selectmen's behalf and submit the documents as our response. Linda Post seconded it. All in Favor.
5. Personal Property: Tom Edwards made a suggestion to the Selectmen about having a Trio program installed for Personal Property. It will help keep records better. It cost \$725.00 to have it installed. Approximately \$500.00 a year for annual contract. It would take Tom three or four days to enter all the information. Next meeting we can see how much we have in the budget to do this.

4:35 PM John Hufnagel (Chair of the Farming Committee) said that he has been working with Larry Choate, Jeanne Johnson, Ed Strollo, Scott Bickford, Linda Post on this Farm Ordinance Committee, that the Selectmen set up. John felt they have put together a good ordinance that will benefit all farmers that have 15 acres or more.

Richard Carver asked Ed Strollo how he felt about the ordinance proposal. He said he still had concerns about the traffic, but he thought everything else was good.

Dave Matthews made a motion to have this Ordinance change go to the Planning Board for review. Linda Post seconded it. All in Favor.

Ron Winters - Crockett's Beach Road. Ron Winters is interested in seeing if there are any possible ways to be able to put stairs or a ramp at Crockett's Beach. He is no longer able to get down the rocks but he still can walk the beach. Scott Bickford (Code Enforcement Officer) has agreed to meet with Ron on Friday (19th) at 2 PM and go look at the beach front to see what can be done. Ron Winters said that if something can be done he would be willing to get all the bids.

Old Business:

Solid Waste Board: Dick Carver contacted several people who were on the board and has been on the board to see what is going on with it. They are having trouble with the budget. Dick Carver also called Bruce Colson and he is still willing to stay on the Solid Waste Board. Dave Matthews volunteered to take Nancy Colson's place on the Solid Waste Board.

5:00 PM Assessors Meeting back in Session: Linda Post made a motion to accept the supplements as presented by Tom Edwards in the amount of \$9,450.43. Dave Matthews seconded it. All in Favor.

5:05 PM Assessors Meeting ended and Selectmen's meeting started again. Dangerous Buildings: Scott Bickford (Code Enforcement Officer) suggested that the Selectmen don't send a letter to Osprey Realty (Doug Johnson) of 5 Castlewood Lane, until the court case is finished. He also said that Irving Smith has torn his building down. Dave Matthews suggested that we send individual letters to each one from the responses that they sent to the Town at the next meeting. Scott Bickford said he would be more than glad to help.

Linda Post made a motion to hold the Special Town Meeting on November 17th, 2014 at 7:00 PM and to use the language on the Warrant (To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$25,000 from its Unassigned Fund Balance ("surplus") account to pay for attorney's fees to defend its position on appeal to the Maine Supreme Court in the Cooper's Beach Road case (Edwards v. Blackman and Town of Owl's Head). that was proposed to them by William Dale (Attorney). Dave Matthews seconded it. All in Favor.

Public Forum

Lorraine Pfefferkorn (74 Ingraham Drive) wanted a follow up from last meeting. Richard Carver said that Nate Beal went down and put on new markers of the ones that were missing. Richard Carver also told her if she can't find them just walk by the raised bed and look down and she should be able to find the markers okay.

Barbara Christensen asked the Selectmen if she could have the pole removed and the power buried at the end of Ash Point Drive and also to the Street Light. She has talked to her neighbors and they are all for it. The Christensen's would pay for this out of their own pocket. All the work would be done by licensed contractors and in accordance with the requirements of CMP. CMP has looked at the project and is willing to proceed with the project if the Town agrees. Dave Matthews made a motion that the Selectmen agree to the project contingent that the Christensen's get written letters from the neighbors that they are okay with it and leave them at the Town. Linda Post seconded it. All in Favor.

Warrants and Payroll were approved and signed.

Dave Matthews made a motion to approve the September 2, 2014 minutes with some grammar changes. Linda Post seconded it. All in Favor.

Dave Matthews made a motion to accept the August 25, 2014 minutes. Linda Post seconded it. All in Favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pam Curtis
Recording Secretary